

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 1737 - SB 2019**

March 11, 2009

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires the Department of Health to report to the Governor and the General Assembly regarding nursing home inspection and enforcement activities by March 1 of each year. The Department of Human Services is required to report to the Governor and the General Assembly regarding adult protective activities by February 1 of each year.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$50,000/One-Time**

Assumptions:

- Currently, the Department of Health submits an annual report to the Governor and the General Assembly regarding the nursing home inspections and enforcement activities pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 68-1-120. Any increase in expenditures incurred to include recommendations of changes in state law and policy will not be significant.
- According to the Department of Human Services (DHS), an adult protective services data collection system will not be implemented until the fall of 2009. The manual collection and computation of data to analyze trends in types of abuse and types of assistance provided and make recommendations for changes in state law or policy would result in an estimated 2,000 hours at a rate of \$13 per hour for staff to gather the information and finalize the report and 1,200 hours at a rate of \$20 per hour for information systems staff to compile the information in an electronic format and run the necessary reports. The one-time increase in expenditures is \$50,000  $[(2,000 \times \$13) + (1,200 \times \$20)]$ .

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" and last name "White" clearly legible, and "W." in the middle.

James W. White, Executive Director

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